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VIA FACSIMILE

The Honorable P. Kevin Castel
United States District Judge
United States District Court for
the Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street, Room 2260
New York, New York 10007

Re: *Ajaj v. MacKechie, et al.*, 07 Civ. 5959 (PKC)(DCF)

Dear Judge Castel:

I write as counsel for Maranda E. Fritz, one of the defendants in the above referenced case filed by Ahmad Ajaj and to request an extension of the time within which to file motions directed to the complaint. I make this request because I was out of the office last week attending to a family emergency and was not able to complete the submission.

Based on these circumstances, I request an adjournment of one week to complete and file the motions. The Court has granted one previous request by the Government extending the time within which to answer or move to February 20, 2008. This request for an extension will not affect any of the other scheduled dates.

I have not obtained the consent of the adversary as he is a pro se plaintiff and it is difficult if not impossible to be allowed to speak with him on short notice.

Respectfully,

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Plaintiff may file
until March 14

to respond to all
motions and all
defendants shall have
until March 17

to file any reply. (West
date affected by the proposed adjournment.)

SO ORDERED.

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I understood the family emergency last week. However, by waiting until today, all motions will not be on a unified schedule. One schedule for defendant Fritz and one schedule for all other defendants. This is unfortunate. All defendants will move until February 27 to move (although I suspect some may have filed or will file today).

Defendants may have until March 28 to file any reply.
SO ORDERED
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